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In re the Application of:

ABROMAVAGE ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/552,878

Art Unit: 2157

Filed: April 20, 2000

Examiner: SALEH NAJJAR

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
NETWORK SECURITY

LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Examiner El Chanti telephoned the undersigned indicating that a response to the Office Action mailed January 30, 2004 was never received. However, Applicants submitted an Amendment on April 27, 2004 responsive to said Office Action.

Attached hereto is a copy of the entire April 27, 2004 submission along with a PTO date-stamped post card evidencing receipt thereof.

Entry of the Amendment and consideration the Petition filed on the same day are respectfully requested.

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.

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